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Ayer's Version of What He Said

EDITOR STAR: I am sure that you unintentionally made me say things before the county executive committee that I never thought of and I now beg space to correct the same.

I said that no man had any right to ask his friend to go on his bond and thereby jeopardize his property and the support of his wife and children without first taking some steps to insure them against loss, and that if I had been elected I would have given my bondsmen a mortgage of all my possessions to indemnify them against any possible loss on my account. Let me say here that all I possess would not amount to more than half the bond required, and that I hope resolution No. 1 of the last legislature, proposing to amend section 13, article 16, of the constitution, will be ratified in the next election so that county officials can give bond in responsible surety companies.

Again, you make me say: "Don't know if I could go to the legislature again if I wished; don't want to, as it doesn't pay and can't afford it."

Now I have no earthly doubt about being elected to the legislature again if I am a candidate. Why should I have? All know that I did my duty honestly and fearlessly, and I do not believe the people of Marion county would turn the back of their hands to a faithful servant. I said that I really liked going to the legislature and would be glad to go back, but that there was no money in it to an honest man, and I just could not afford it. I hope that Mr. Proctor's resolution in regard to proxies will be adopted by the board at their next meeting.

Let me say in conclusion that we are not satisfied with the way that proxies were manipulated in Ocala, and will see them later.

ALFRED AYER.

McIntosh, Jan. 29, 1898.

The Star has no disposition to misrepresent any one, much less the distinguished gentleman from McIntosh, therefore we cheerfully accord him a hearing, but in doing so refer with pride to the fact that the Star is the Congressional Record of Marion county, which permits its statesmen to revise their impromptu speeches and publish the same.

The Star consulted several gentlemen who were present and participated in the meeting which Mr. Ayer addressed and they confirm the Star's report of the same, including Mr. Ayer's remarks as given in its issue of the 27th.

All the same, the Star is glad Mr. Ayer comes out flatfooted for the amendment to the state constitution, which will enable a county official to do away with personal bondsmen, give security for his trust in a guarantee company and "knuckle" to no one except for his vote at the polls.

To the Public

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A Correction

In the list of Mr. Thaggard's bondsmen yesterday we made the mistake of putting J. R. Moorhead and Dr. Walkup down for \$1000 each, which should have been \$500 each, and left off the name of our worthy county commissioner, E. C. McLeod, whose name graces the bond in the sum of \$1000.

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A Word to the Loafers

"A hustler is a man who is trying to do something. A loafer will not do anything himself nor let any one else," says an exchange. Too true. Idleness makes a victim not only of its possessor but of his circle as well. —Pensacola News.

This reminds us to refer to an incident that occurred not very long ago in Ocala, which illustrates the text and shows what an injustice and wrong a thoughtless loafer can do a town and community. About a year ago a man from Kentucky visited Ocala and looked the country over with a view to settlement and embarking in growing tobacco. He was so well pleased that he returned home to adjust his affairs and later cast his lot with us.

On his second visit here several weeks ago he got into conversation with one of these perennial chair warming loafers, of which Ocala has not a few, and the subject of growing tobacco and the favorable outlook for making it a money crop came up for discussion, in which the stranger assured his new found acquaintance that that was the object of his coming to Ocala, and in which industry he proposed to embark. The loafer, for no milder term can be applied to him, assured the Kentuckian that he couldn't sell the tobacco if he raised it, and if he did he wouldn't get 7 cents a pound for it. This untruthful remark did its fatal work—the prospective citizen left on the next train.

Can any criticism or condemnation be too severe for a man who does nothing for himself but everything to retard the progress and prosperity of his town and county. The remark was untruthful and can easily be proven from the fact that Mr. Medero has bought and paid for thousands of dollars worth of green tobacco, the price of which has ranged from 25 to 50 cents per pound—averaging two pounds of cured tobacco to the pole, while Mr. John R. Martin has bought all the pole cured tobacco of fair quality at 25 cents a pound.

The Star cannot command language strong enough to express its contempt for men who are lacking sense, honor and industrious instincts and guilty of such foolish and almost criminal language as indicated.

If such persons will not do anything for themselves they should at least be made to hold their tongues. This class of do-nothings with their hands, but who regulate the moon, stars and earth and the things and persons thereof with their mouths in their own conceit, are of the class that glory in the misfortunes of others and gloat over any calamity that may overtake a people. The omniscient in his wisdom may have a purpose in permitting such beings to live, but Ocala will part with them and shed no tears.

For the present the Star is done and now turns over such chair warmers, loafers, traducers and villifiers to the scorn and contempt of all right thinking and honest people.

Attention

Members of Ponce de Leon lodge are urgently requested to meet at their hall Sunday at 3 p. m. L. OTTENSOSER, V. M. H. CROOK, Secretary.

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Program For Union Services

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Anthem by the choir.
Hymn.
Prayer by Rev. J. G. Law.
Scripture lesson by Rev. C. E. Powell.
Hymn.
Address by Rev. C. E. Powell.
Hymn.
Address by Rev. J. L. Rodger.
Anthem by choir.
Address by Rev. J. G. Law.
Hymn.
Address by Rev. J. P. Hilburn.
Collection for the Cubans.
Anthem by the choir.
Benediction by Rev. J. L. Rodger.

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